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Title of the Invention: CHEMICAL INDUCIBLE PROMOTER USED TO OBTAIN TRANSGENIC PLANTS WITH A SILENT MARKER

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed 10 February 2003, Applicants submit the following remarks and respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejection of the claims.

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